

Application No.: 10/005,054

Docket No.: TRAUMA 3.0-349

REMARKS

Prior to an Action on the merits in the Amendment submitted on January 26, 2005, please make the amendments to claims 1, 9 and 22 herein and add new claims 31 and 32.

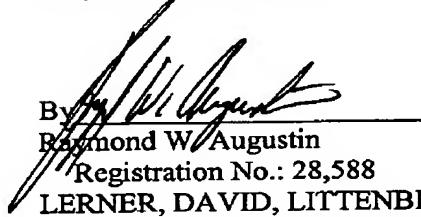
As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he/she telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefore.

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Respectfully submitted,


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